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Title

: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF

CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Box RCE Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. [] Submission previously submitted
 - □ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
 - ii. \(\Pi\) Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed
 - iii. [] Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on
- b. [X] Submission enclosed
 - i. [X] Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
 - ii. \(\Pi\) Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. \(\) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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- 2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.
- 3. Accompanying Papers
 - [X] Postcard
 - [X] Check
 - [X] Fee Transmittal Sheet
 - Petition

4. Deposit Account

[X] The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

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